

IN THE UNITED STATES COURT OF APPEALS  
FOR THE FIFTH CIRCUIT

September 19, 2003

Charles R. Fulbruge III  
Clerk

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No. 02-61005  
Summary Calendar

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MUBARAK SWATTI,

Petitioner,

versus

JOHN ASHCROFT, U.S. ATTORNEY GENERAL,

Respondent.

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Petition for Review of an Order of the  
Board of Immigration Appeals  
BIA No. A72 417 720  
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Before JONES, BENAVIDES, and CLEMENT, Circuit Judges.

PER CURIAM:\*

Mubarak Swatti, a native and citizen of Pakistan, petitions this court for review of the Board of Immigration Appeals' (BIA) decision denying his application for asylum and withholding of deportation. In rejecting Swatti's appeal, the BIA adopted the Immigration Judge's (IJ) findings that Swatti was not a credible witness and that his claims of persecution were not worthy of belief. Contrary to Swatti's argument, the BIA's summary

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\* Pursuant to 5TH CIR. R. 47.5, the court has determined that this opinion should not be published and is not precedent except under the limited circumstances set forth in 5TH CIR. R. 47.5.4.

affirmance of the IJ's decision did not constitute error. See Soadjede v. Ashcroft, 324 F.3d 830, 832-33 (5th Cir. 2003).

This court will not disturb BIA decisions based purely on an IJ's assessment of the alien's credibility. Chun v. INS, 40 F.3d 76, 78 (5th Cir. 1994). Accordingly, Swatti's petition for review is DENIED.